

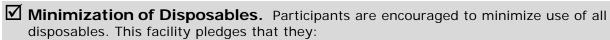
Virginia Welcome Center at Manassas

Manassas, Virginia

The Virginia Welcome Center at Manassas provides comprehensive travel information to visitors and residents of Virginia. These include: mapping routes, room reservations and information on attractions throughout the Commonwealth.

GREEN ACTIVITIES

- Recycling and Waste Reduction. Virginia Green facilities must recycle Glass Bottles and are highly encouraged to maintain a comprehensive recycling program. This facility pledges that they:
 - Recycle: office paper and toner cartridges.
 - Use reusable dishware and glassware, and minimize use of disposables
 - Use disposable containers made from bio-based materials, recycled content, and/ or compostable materials
 - Use non-bleached napkins and coffee filters
 - Use bulk soap dispensers in public restrooms
 - Use high-efficiency hand dryers
 - Encourage suppliers to minimize packaging and other waste materials
 - Make double-sided copies/ printed materials
 - Use electronic correspondence and forms
 - Purchase durable equipment and furniture
 - Properly recycle/dispose of thinners and solvents



- Use disposable containers that are recyclable
- **Water Conservation.** The facility must have a plan for conserving water that should consider plumbing modifications and landscaping. This facility pledges that they:
 - Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks
 - Use water-flow metering to discover leaks and areas of high use
 - Have:
 - Waterless urinals



- Automatic faucets or toilets in public restrooms
- Discourage water-based cleanup (sweeping first)
- ☑ Energy Conservation. The facility must have a plan in place that encourages replacement of lighting and equipment to energy-efficient alternatives. This facility pledges that they:
 - Have individual thermostats for each room/area
 - Use natural lighting
 - Use directional (downward-facing) lighting in parking areas and other outdoor areas
- Support Virginia Green. Pledge to promote the efforts of Virginia Green to clients, members and staff and encourage them to join or do business with Virginia Green participants. This facility pledges that they:
 - Encourage clients who are in the tourism industry to join Virginia Green.

For more information on **the Virginia Welcome Center at Manassas**, see www.virginia.org or contact Kathleen Reilly at kreilly@virginia.org

For more information on the *Virginia Green* program, see www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/virginiagreen/homepage.html or go to www.virginiagreentravel.org.

Virginia Green is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices is all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. *Virginia Green* is supported through a partnership between the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, the Virginia Hospitality & Travel Association, and the Virginia Tourism Corporation. The program has established "core activities" specific to each sector of tourism; these practices are the minimum requirements for participation in the program, but encourages participants to reduce their environmental impacts in all aspects of their operations. **Virginia Green Partners** are committing to help support the program and encourage their customers to join or do business with Virginia Green-certified participants. Although not necessarily tourism facilities themselves, Partners are expected to practice green activities in their own facilities as well. For more information on **Virginia Green**, see www.virginiagreentravel.org.





